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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of the Nonprovisional Application mailed July 20, 2001, the time for responding being September 20, 2001, Applicant provides the following comments:

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A signed declaration is provided with this response.

A replacement computer readable disk containing the sequence listing is provided with this response. The computer readable copy is identical in content to the originally filed computer readable disk. A paper copy of this sequence listing is also provided. This paper copy corresponds to the originally filed paper sequence listing and is numbered separately from the specification in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.823(a)(1). The originally filed paper copy of the sequence listing was originally provided as pages 79-86 for inclusion into the specification. The undersigned hereby states that the Paper Copy and the Computer Readable Form, submitted in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821 including 1.821(c), 1.821(e), and 1.825 are identical. No new matter has been added.

The Notice to File Missing Parts states that pages 79-86 of the specification are missing. These pages correspond to the originally filed paper copy of the sequence listing. Accordingly, no matter is missing from the specification as originally filed; therefore no petition is required under 37 CFR 1.181. However, Applicants include with this Response a copy of the postcard as mailed to the patent office with the application indicating that a paper copy of the sequence listing was sent to the Patent Office at the time of filing.

Consideration of this application in view of the comments that follow is respectfully requested.

Applicants have made every effort to diligently address the Notice to File Missing Parts. Should there be any questions, Applicant's Representative can be reached at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

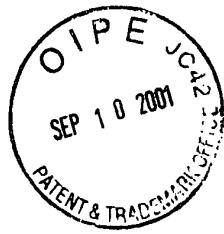
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